



## Dodge County Local Emergency Planning Committee

### MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018 - 1:00 PM

**Dodge County Law Enforcement Center – EOC  
124 West St, Juneau, WI**

1. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Langfeldt at 1:05pm
2. Roll Call of Members and introduction/welcome of newly appointed members was done – sign in sheet was passed around. The following were in attendance - Introduction and Roll Call of members- Members Present- Emergency Management- Amy Nehls and Joe Meagher, Community – Sara Neu, EMS/First Responder – Kraig Biefeld, Transportation – John Haase, Volunteer Agency/Red Cross – Chris Bach, County Board – Russell Kottke, Law Enforcement – Tony Brugger, Hazmat – Don Wellnitz, Medical Examiner – PJ Schoebel, UW-Extension – Marie Witzel, Dept. of Natural Resources – John Sinclair, Public Health – Jody Langfeldt and Brittany Bleich, Fire – Kraig Biefeld.
3. Review/Approve the minutes of April 18, 2018 meeting- Motion made to approve as presented by Kraig Biefeld and received 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Haase, Non opposed, Motion Carried
4. Correspondence – Nothing to report
5. Public comments (Up to 30 minutes) No one present to report.
6. Review/Update HAZMAT Response Expenditures Procedures and Reimbursement Amounts – Motion to approve as presented by John Haase and 2<sup>nd</sup> Craig Biefeld, None opposed, Motion Carried
7. Election of a new chairperson upon retirement of current Chair Jody Langfeldt in August. – Amy presented a certificate of recognition to Chairperson Langfeldt for her 22 years of dedicated service to the LEPC – Nomination of PJ Schoebel by Amy Nehls 2<sup>nd</sup> John Haase, Being no other nominations, John Haase made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for PJ Schoebel, Second by Russell Kottke, No opposition, Motion Carried

PJ Schoebel held the current Vice Chairperson position so this position needed to be filled after the election of PJ Schoebel to Chairperson. Motion for Kraig Biefeld to fill the Chair position by John Haase, second by Amy Nehls. Being no other nominations a motion by John Haase was made to cast a unanimous ballot for Kraig Biefeld, Second by Russ Kottke. No opposition, Motion Carried

8. EPCRA Report - (2018 POW started October 1, 2017) Will be working to close out this year's POW over the next few months.
9. **2018 Plan Updates presented (underline = Complete)** ~~Columbus Chemical Inc., Beaver Dam Water Utility, Beaver Dam Wastewater Utility, Seneca-Clyman, Horicon Wastewater, Watertown Water Utility,~~ Quad Graphics- Hartford, Quad Graphics- Lomira, Apache Stainless, Burgess Norton P4, Ryder Beaver Dam Logistics, Kraft Beaver Dam, Kolplin Outdoors, Richelieu foods  
**2018 New Plans:** ~~Gleason Reel Plant 2,~~ Mayville Engineering – Mayville

10. Reports or announcements by groups:

- A. County Board – Russell Kottke – County board held last night – long meeting – jail Pod J will close at the end of the year.
- B. Senate – Sen. Scott Fitzgerald – Not present
- C. Law Enforcement – Tony Brugger – Reported that Pod J will be closing Dec 31<sup>st</sup> (per county board resolution) – creating plan to draw down inmate population by around 85. Immigration contract numbers may need to be reduced. It is believed that with the need to reduce contracted beds it will have a significant revenue reduction to county budget.
- D. Fire – Kraig Biefeld – **Newly Appointed** – Fire service has been very active in SE WI – three interdivisional requests in a week for Watertown! Lot of focus on firefighter health and wellness, particularly cancer awareness – toxins in modern day materials and toxins in the fire gear seem to be the root cause based on studies. Staffing levels are a problem across the nation. Finding people to fill calls and call time is tough.
- E. EMS/First Responder – Paul Hartl - **Newly Appointed** – Excused/ not able to attend – Biefeld reported on “Stop the Bleed” initiative. Particular target right now is with the schools, Nehls indicated local businesses have also showed interest. Watertown has training kits that can be used countywide. Train the trainer classes and a better foundation is essential in getting this word out and trainers up to speed, the need is one trainer to eight students. Multiple trainings are scheduled in the schools and others plan to come on board over winter.
- F. HAZMAT – Don Wellnitz – Nothing to report. No requests of the team since Beaver dam explosion.
- G. Medical Examiner – PJ Schoebel – Hoping to have full staff soon (next couple days) we continue to work with Milwaukee County for autopsies. PJ reported we plan to continue with the Milwaukee partnership and he reports them to be very efficient and the costs are reasonable. PJ reported a significant shortage in forensic pathologists nationwide. Milwaukee has 6 Forensic Pathologists, there are 12 statewide.

H. Public Health – Jody Langfeldt – Increase in human health hazard calls and hoarding type calls. Information from Quartz that they will be changing the cost recovery rate on flu shots. Brittany Bleich and Abbey Sauer continue to be active in the health care coalition. Jody will retire in August the process to reappoint is already occurring. Some changes sent down by the Southern Regional Office has sprung a new set of rules on the requirements of “New Hire” public health officers. Lori Lang has been approved as the interim health officer until one is appointed.

I. Hospital – Nicki Salas – not present – sent report – Hospital annual Hazmat training will be 7/31, Senior Behavior Health unit will open at the hospital on 9/1/18. Watertown hospital recertification will take place in October.

J. Volunteer Agency/Red Cross – Chris Bach – two new hires to help out Chris – lots of lessons learned particularly during the Beaver Dam explosion.

K. Environment – John Sinclair - **Newly Appointed** – Currently no wardens in Dodge or Jefferson County – expecting a new recruit out of Beaver Dam soon. John will continue to assist and fill in where needed. Wardens will continue to be the middle man to survey the scenes to determine appropriate response. Wardens are now filling park ranger roles. Wardens will carry Narcan in the next few weeks.

L. Agriculture – Marie Witzel - **Newly Appointed** – discussed the UW changes within the office, a lot more in the office is being done with more support from the UW Madison system. Discussed added stress on animals at the fair.

M. Transportation – Brian Field/John Haase – Usual highway summer projects- Hwy C west of 151 is this summer’s big project and is on schedule. Highway shop is in summer hours 6a – 4p off on Fridays.

N. Community – Sara Neu – handout highway safety “U-Turns are dangerous”

O. EPCRA Facility – Nick Buckner & Dave Magnussen – not present

P. Media – Craig Warmbold – not present

Q. School – Heather Cramer – not present

R. Emergency Management – Amy Nehls & Joe Meagher – EM continues to work with schools on plan updates and exercises, schools continue to receive grant money awards from a recent DOJ grant. We are now working with childcare facilities to help create plans, a couple of forums have been set up so child care facilities can become up to date on planning and are given some tools to assist with planning. Amy is attending a Master Exercise Practitioner Class put on by FEMA here in Wisconsin. This is a two week program and requires a final project, she will be doing a childcare facility exercise. Multiple requests from businesses to assist with multi hazard plans. Looking to request an additional employee in the office to fill the increased demand for safety planning/ training and outreach.

9. Set Next Meeting Dates –

October 17, 2018 at 1:00PM (Tentative)

January 16, 2019 at 1:00PM – Dodge County EOC

10. Motion to adjourn by Don Wellnitz and second by PJ Schoebel, Motion Carried, adjourned at 2:01pm